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1. FOLLOWING IS THE SUGGESTED TEXT OF REMARKS AND A TOAST FOR THE SECRETARY'S USE AT FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA'S DINNER IN HIS HONOR ON NOVEMBER 22. SUGGESTED TEXTS OF OTHER STATEMENTS BEING TRANSMITTED SEPTELS. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S REACTION TO AND APPROVAL OF THE TEXT BELOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT IT MAY BE TRANSLATED AND REPRODUCED WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL.

2. QUOTE. MR. MINISTER, MEMBERS OF THE CABINET, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I DO NOT CONSIDER MYSELF A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE MAN YOU EXPECTED TO BE WITH HERE, NOT TODAY, BUT TOMORROW. MUCH LESS AM I A FITTING REPLACEMENT FOR THE LADY WHO WAS TO BE HERE WITH HIM. THEY HAVE BOTH ASKED ME TO TELL YOU, HOWEVER, THAT THEY WILL INDEED KEEP THEIR APPOINTMENT WITH YOU AT A LATER DATE. THEY HAVE ASKED ME TO SAY TO YOU A FEW WORDS THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE SAID, AND TO EXPRESS TO YOU SOME THOUGHTS THAT THEY BOTH, AS WELL AS THE REST OF US HERE, HOLD
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VERY DEAR.

AS YOU KNOW, I AM HERE IN TWO CAPACITIES: AS SPOKESMAN FOR THE UNITED STATES IN THE CONSULTATIONS CALLED FOR UNDER THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, AND AS THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, ACTING IN HIS BEHALF IN PREPARATION FOR HIS OWN VISIT WITH YOU. I SHOULD LIKE TO

SPEAK TO YOU TONIGHT IN THE LATTER CAPACITY. (N.B. HERE THE SECRETARY MAY WISH TO DESCRIBE BRIEFLY THE "WORLD VIEW" GUIDING CURRENT USG FOREIGN POLICY, A THEME THAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND MOST WELCOME TO HIS HIGH-LEVEL AUDIENCE AS A LEAD-IN TO THE REMAINDER OF THE TEXT THAT WOULD BE INTRODUCED BY A SUITABLE TRANSITION. WE DEFER TO WASHINGTON ON THE PREPARATION OF THIS POSSIBLE SECTION.)

PRESIDENT CARTER INTENDED, AND INTENDS, HIS VISIT TO CONTRIBUTE TO INTERNATIONAL AMITY BY STRENGTHENING OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS THROUGH CONSULTATIONS AND DIALOGUE WITH OUR FRIENDS ON THE MANY ISSUES WHERE OUR INTERESTS COINCIDE, INTERSECT, OR DIVERGE. HE IS CONSCIOUS, HOWEVER, THAT THE HEALTH OF RELATIONS AMONG PEOPLES AND GOVERNMENTS DERIVES ALSO FROM CANDID APPRECIATION AND DISCUSSION OF DIFFERENCES--THAT THE WAY TO BETTER UNDERSTANDING, IN BOTH THE BILATERAL AND MULTI-LATERAL SENSES, IS THROUGH SENCERE EFFORTS TO RESOLVE SUCH DIFFERENCES IN A CLIMATE OF FRIENDSHIP, MUTUAL RESPECT AND RECOGNITION OF SHARED RESPONSIBILITIES.

AS YOU KNOW, UNDER PRESIDENT CARTER'S ADMINISTRATION THE UNITED STATES HAS REAFFIRMED ITS COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND TO CONTROLLING THE PROLIFERATION OF THE CAPACITY TO MANUFACTURE NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES AS FUNDAMENTAL TENETS OF ITS FOREIGN POLICY. BOTH OF THESE CENTRAL CONCERNS STEM FROM THE DEEPLY ROOTED TRADITIONS AND BELIEFS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. THE SANCITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL, THE CONVICTION THAT GOVERNMENT IS THE SERVANT AND NOT THE MASTER OF THE PEOPLE, AND THE SECURITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT

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IN WHICH MAN CAN DEVELOP HIS POTENTIAL ARE BASIC TO OUR DEVELOPMENT AS A NATION. WE CAN WISH NO LESS FOR OTHERS. WE CONSIDER THESE TENETS APPLICABLE TO ALL NATIONS AND TO ALL PEOPLE. DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE WOULD BE UNFAITHFUL TO OUR HERITAGE IF WE DID NOT FEEL CLOSER FRIENDSHIP WITH OPEN SOCIETIES, WE HAVE NOT DIRECTED OUR POLICIES AT ONE OR ANOTHER COUNTRY, OR AT ONE OR ANOTHER SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT.

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THE BASIC RIGHTS OF WHICH WE SPEAK ARE ESPECIALLY CONCERNED WITH THE PHYSICAL SANCTITY OF THE PERSON, BUT EXTEND ALSO TO HIS NEED FOR FOOD, SHELTER, EDUCATION, HEALTH AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR A FULL LIFE, AS WELL AS TO THE ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DECISIONS WHICH AFFECT THAT LIFE.

AS WE STRIVE TO IMPROVE THE PHYSICAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL SEEKS TO FULFILL HIMSELF, WE ALSO SEEK TO JOIN WITH OTHERS IN PROTECTING HIM FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE APPLICATION OF HIS MARVELOUS TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES TO INSTRUMENTS OF SELF-DESTRUCTION. HOW IRONIC IT IS THAT THE TECHNOLOGY THAT CAN IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF HIS LIFE MANY FOLD CAN ALSO DESTROY HIM LONG BEFORE THAT POTENTIAL MAY BE REALIZED. WE ALL KNOW THE DIFFERENCES IN PERSPECTIVE THAT HAVE EXISTED BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ON THESE TWO ISSUES. I AM CONVINCED, HOWEVER, THAT THESE DIFFERENCES CAN YIELD TO AMICABLE RESOLUTION, THAT THEY DO NOT ARISE FROM DISAGREEMENTS ON FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS, WHICH WE SHARE, AND THAT THEY ARE NOT PERMANENTLY DIVISIVE. WE FULLY RECOGNIZE BRAZIL'S NEED TO PROGRESS ECONOMICALLY SO THAT EVER INCREASING NUMBERS OF ITS POPULATION CAN PARTAKE EQUITABLY OF THE BENEFITS OF THAT DEVELOPMENT. AND WE ARE EQUALLY AWARE OF AND SYMPATHETIC TO YOUR ENERGY REQUIREMENTS AND OF YOUR NEED TO DEVELOP NEW SOURCES, ESPECIALLY IN THE NUCLEAR FIELD. WE ACKNOWLEDGE, APPLAUD AND SUPPORT YOUR THRUST TOWARD THE REALIZATION OF YOUR ASPIRATIONS FOR INDEPENDENT GREATNESS. WE HOPE, AT THE SAME TIME, THAT YOU WILL RECOGNIZE THE CONCERNS OF OTHERS

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THAT, ALONG THE WAY TO FULL DEVELOPMENT, THE INTEGRITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL BE ASSURED, THAT, ALONG THE WAY TO ENERGY SELF-SUFFICIENCY, THE PROSPECTS OF FURTHER NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION BE ALLAYED, AND THAT ALONG THE WAY TO BRAZIL'S DESTINY, IT WILL ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT ARE IN KEEPING WITH ITS GROWING AND WELCOME INFLUENCE IN THE WORLD. THESE ARE MATTERS THAT ARE GERMANE TO THE STRENGTHENING OF OUR TRADITIONAL RELATIONSHIP. THEY ARISE FROM OUR COMMON OBLIGATIONS AND RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE EVER MORE INTERRELATED WORLD IN WHICH WE BOTH INTERACT AND IN WHICH NO NATION, NO MATTER HOW POWERFUL OR HOW ASPIRING, CAN EVER BE TRULY INDEPENDENT.

WE HAVE BECOME A GLOBAL COMMUNITY, FACING COMMON PROBLEMS AND SHARING A COMMON FUTURE. THE POWER TO SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS

NO LONGER LIES, IF INDEED IT EVER DID, WITH A FEW NATIONS.
IT IS, ON THE CONTRARY, WIDELY SHARED AMONG MANY NATIONS WITH
DIFFERENT CULTURES, HISTORIES AND ASPIRATIONS. WE MUST RESPECT
THESE DIFFERENCES, BUT WE MUST ALSO MOVE, WITH ALL DUE REGARD
FOR SOVEREIGNTY, TO EXPAND OUR COMMON GROUND.

THE SEARCH FOR THIS COMMON GROUND IS THE UNDERLYING
PURPOSE OF BOTH THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND PRESIDENT
CARTER'S FORTHCOMING VISIT. IT IS IN THE SPIRIT OF THAT
DIFFICULT BUT ENNOBLING SEARCH THAT I ASK YOU TO JOIN ME IN
RAISING OUR GLASSES IN SALUTE TO THE STRONG AND ENDURING TIES
OF FRIDNDSHIP WE SHARE, TO THE COMMON PRINCIPLES WE PROMOTE IN
AN EVER MORE INTERDEPENDENT WORLD AND TO THE SUCCESS AND CON-
TINUED PERSONAL WELL-BEING OF THE PRESIDENTS OF OUR TWO GREAT
COUNTRIES, ERNESTO GEISEL AND JIMMY CARTER. UNQUOTE
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